

This week, Pastor Andy continues the series on "Power Verses For Transformation" with the seventh message in a ten message series. Andy begins his talk on being "Content In All Circumstances" by pointing out that being content is a learned skill. Contentment is really independent of the circumstances in which you find yourself. You can keep your contentment by avoiding comparisons between yourself and others. Comparisons with others are not helpful and someone else will always have something you do not. Do not give jealousy an opportunity to rise up within you.

Andy points out that you should avoid the popular misconceptions about happiness. You don't need to have what others have in order to be happy, nor do you need to be liked by everyone else around you to be happy. You will not find happiness just because you have "more". Happiness is a matter of FOCUS. What are you concentrating on? God has already given you everything needed in order to be content right now. You can learn to be content if you can learn to adjust to change in your life. Living and growing things change. Dead things do not change. If you are alive in Christ, there will be change in your life and so your contentment in life should be independent of the circumstances you find yourself in. Draw on the strength Christ offers you and you can confidently face anything that you may encounter. Yours will not be the life of the "victim"; instead you will live the life of the "victor". Like Paul, the grace of God can be sufficient for you and His power made perfect in your own weakness.

Will you let Him be "sufficient" for you so that you may receive His "contentment"?